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Re: Snap-on Technologies, Inc.
Matter No. 428192
Patent Application for:
MAGNETIC BIT HOLDER AND HAND
TOOL INCORPORATING SAME
Filed: July 2, 1998
Serial No. 09/110,145
Reissue of Patent No. 5,577,426

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Supplemental Response with attached copies of (a) response dated August 20, 2003; (b) transmittal letter dated August 20, 2003; (c) ribbon, cover page and original Certificate of Correction of original ribboned U.S. patent no. 5,577,426 and (d) filing receipt postcard in the above-captioned application, sent with Certificate of Mailing thereon.

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Sincerely yours,

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Inventors: Daniel M. Eggert et al.)	
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Title: MAGNETIC BIT HOLDER AND HAND TOOL INCORPORATING SAME)	Examiner: Debra S. Meislin
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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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In further response to the Office Action of July 29, 2003, enclosed are copies of:

- (a) response dated August 20, 2003;
- (b) transmittal letter dated August 20, 2003;
- (c) ribbon page, cover page and original Certificate of Correction of original ribboned U.S. Patent no. 5,577,426 filed with the Response of item (a); and
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The originals of the items (a)-(d) were sent to the PTO in response to the Office Action of July 29 and were received by the PTO on August 25, 2003, as evidenced by item (d).

On March 5, 2004, the undersigned was telephoned by Examiner Meislin inquiring as to the status of the application, since she had received no response to the action of July 29, 2003, which required surrender of the original patent Certificate.

From the foregoing, it appears that the original patent Certificate has been lost by the PTO, and this response should be considered a declaration as to such loss.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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